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SUBJ: IRAQI COMPLAINT IN SC

1. FEB 20 SC MEETING ON IRAQI COMPLAINT TURNED OUT TO BE FULL-SCALE RESUMPTION OF DEBATE BETWEEN IRAN AND IRAQ RATHER THAN SIMPLY STATEMENTS BY PDRY, UAE AND LIBYA. GIST OF STATEMENTS BEING TRANSMITTED IN USUN DAILY SUMMARY.

2. LIBYAN AND DEMOCRATIC YEMENESE STATEMENTS WERE OFFENSIVE AND CLEARLY CALLED FOR IRANIAN RIGHT OF REPLY. PDRY, FOR EXAMPLE, MAINTAINED THAT LATEST INCIDENTS WERE EXAMPLES OF IRANIAN EXPANSIONISM IN PERSIAN GULF AREA, SIMILAR TO 1971 ANNEXATION OF ABU MUSA AND TOMBS ISLANDS. LIBYAN STATEMENT SEEMED DESIGNED TO SHOW SOLIDARITY WITH FELLOW ARAB RADICAL MAIN THEME BEING THAT SHAH WAS TOOL OF US IMPERIALISM. UAE INTERVENTION WAS BRIEF AND FAIRLY RESTRAINED.

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3. IRANIAN AMB HOVEYDA CHOSE TO REPLY NOT ONLY TO THESE ATTACKS, BUT TO REOPEN ENTIRE DEBATE WITH IRAQ. HE BROUGHT UP IRAQI FILMING OF CLASH, EXPULSION OF IRANIAN RELIGIOUS LEADERS FROM NAJJAF AND OTHER MATTERS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED BILATERALLY WITH US (USUN 546). IRAQI AMB SHIBIB COUNTER-ATTACKED, AND DEBATE DEGENERATED INTO PICAYUNE SLINGING MATCH.

4. SC PRES ADJOURNED MEETING SINE DIE FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS.
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